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LISTING OF CLAIMS

 (Previously presented) A developer composition for resists, comprising an organic quaternary ammonium base as a main component and a surfactant,

said surfactant containing an anionic surfactant represented by the following general formula (I):

wherein at least one member of R_1 and R_2 represents an alkyl or alkoxy group having 5 to 18 carbon atoms and any remaining member represents a hydrogen atom, or an alkyl or alkoxy group having 5 to 18 carbon atoms, and at least one member of R_3 , R_4 and R_5 represents a group represented by the following general formula (II):

$$-SO_3M \cdot \cdot \cdot (II)$$

wherein M represents a metal atom, and any remaining member represent a hydrogen atom or a group represented by the above general formula (II).

- 2. (Original) The developer composition for resists according to claim 1, wherein, in the general formula (II), M represents one selected from sodium, potassium and calcium, provided that, in the general formula (I), when two or more groups represented by the general formula (II) are present, M may be the same or different.
- 3. (Previously presented) A method for formation of a resist pattern, comprising applying a resist composition on a substrate to form a resist layer, prebaking the resist layer, selectively exposing the prebaked resist layer to light, and alkali-developing the exposed resist layer with the developer composition for resists according to claim 1 to form a resist pattern.
- 4. (Previously presented) A method for formation of a resist pattern, comprising applying a resist composition on a substrate to form a resist layer, prebaking the resist layer, selectively exposing the prebaked resist layer to light, and alkali-developing the exposed resist layer with the developer composition for resists according to claim 2 to form a resist pattern.